

# PUMA PRIDE

KLATT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2019

## A Note From Your Principal

Klatt is very excited to welcome Jessica Nettet to our staff. She will be working as an assistant principal in November and part of December. Jessica has worked as a classroom teacher, instructional coach, and Creating Successful Futures teacher at Northwood. She brings extensive knowledge of instructional practices, supporting student behavior, as well as social and emotional needs.

I want to thank everyone for participating in the Parent Teacher conferences in October. It was a perfect time to talk about progress in school, student's friends, and how to build on strengths to overcome challenges. Now that conferences are over, please remember to check Parent Connect at the ASD website for updates on your student's progress in class. Always feel free to reach out to our staff through emails and phone calls.

Everybody plays a role in ensuring children attend school regularly. We want all children to benefit fully from an education that prepares them for success in school, work and life. At Klatt, we will continue to emphasize the necessity of being at school with each class recording 90% attendance for our Puma Pride Paw Attendance board, with daily shout-outs to students who are in school, on time, every day, as well as providing each family with an attendance tracker to be filled out at home and returned the week of the end of the quarter on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Just as parents should focus on how their children are performing academically, they have a responsibility to set expectations for good attendance and to monitor their children's absences, so that missed days don't add up to academic trouble.

A special thanks to our very hardworking PTA members for all their time and effort in putting together a very fun Fall festival this year. It was great to see so many families enjoy all of the activities within our school community. We also would like to thank Sarah Alborn, our PTA president, for providing delicious lunches on our very busy Parent Teacher conference days. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is much appreciated by our staff. We know that 'Many hands make light work'—If you are interested in supporting our school, please contact PTA at [klattpta@yahoo.com](mailto:klattpta@yahoo.com).



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**May you and your family enjoy the  
Thanksgiving holiday November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>**

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## *PTA Meetings*

November Parent/Teacher Association meeting will be **Thursday, November 7** at 6 PM in the library  
December meeting will be **Thursday December 5**

## *La Voz De Las Familias Latinas*

**Jueves, 07 de Noviembre** de 5 a 6 PM en el salon de Arte with Ms.Karim

## *Veterans Day—NO SCHOOL*

**Monday November 11**

## *Annual Klatt Turkey Shoot Basketball Competition*

A don't miss annual event here at Klatt! Join us in the Gym from  
5:30 to 7:30 PM **November 21**

## *Thanksgiving Holiday—NO SCHOOL*

**Thursday November 28** and **Friday, November 29**

## *Canned Food Drive for Food Bank of Alaska*

Our Student Council will sponsor this nonperishable canned and boxed  
food collection drive for families in need **November 4** through  
**December 6**

## *Annual Holiday Craft Night at Klatt*

A creative night of fun at Klatt! **Wednesday, December 11**, 6 to 7:30 PM

## *Winter Choir Concert*

Klatt Choir will be presenting the Winter Concert on Friday **December 13** at 2:30 PM

## *Winter Band/Orchestra Concert*

Klatt Band and Orchestra students will perform on Tuesday **December 17** at 2:30 PM

## *Winter Break—NO SCHOOL*

Friday December 20<sup>th</sup> no school for students/in-service day  
Winter break is December 23 through January 3  
See you back at school on Monday January 6

**Frozen turkey donations needed!**

**Ten enthusiastic volunteers needed!**

**When? Annual Turkey Shoot November 21**

**Contact Jennifer Wilhelm at [Wilhelm\\_jennifer@asdk12.org](mailto:Wilhelm_jennifer@asdk12.org)  
or leave message with front office 742-5769**





# WHOLE SCHOOL NEWS

## SCHOOL LOST AND FOUND

### *Filling Up Fast*

Our Lost and Found bin is located in the hall next to the front office. Your student and you are welcome to check it frequently for any lost or misplaced items. In an effort to not get buried in jackets, hats, gloves, and other miscellaneous items, Lost and Found items will also be spread out on tables in the lunchroom on most Fridays—just another opportunity to claim all those lost items! Small items can be claimed in the front office.

On Thursday, December 19 any unclaimed Lost and Found items will be brought home over the winter break, washed by a willing staff member, and then placed in our 'take if you need' collection. So, please take the time to check the Lost and Found bin in December before winter break if your child is missing anything.

## CANNED FOOD DRIVE

### *Help Families in Need in Our Community*

Klatt Elementary Student Council is organizing a food drive to meet a community need for Food Bank of Alaska from November 4 through December 6th. Every 1.2 pounds of food we collect is the equivalent of a meal for one person. Student Council will collect donated items from the classrooms each morning and then place them in the red collection bins near the office. Most wanted food items are:

- Canned produce—vegetables, tomato sauce, fruit packed in water or light syrup
- Dried fruits
- Dried meats and beans
- Whole grains—quinoa, rice, pasta
- Cereal—low sugar, instant oatmeal
- Prepared meals—low sodium soups, pop top meals for kids, kid friendly healthy snacks
- Canned proteins—tuna, chicken
- Nuts and nut butters
- Milks—powdered and shelf stable

Thank you for your support.

HELP END WORLD HUNGER.



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## NOTES FROM MR. CHELF

### Healthy Futures Challenge

At the beginning of September information on the Healthy Futures Challenge was given to students. The program encourages children to be more active and make healthy choices to promote better physical health. An important step of the challenge is remembering to fill out the Healthy Futures log. When your student is active, it should be recorded on the log that was sent home (as seen below). If your student is active 15 days a month for at least 60 minutes, they are eligible to get a prize and also a raffle ticket to put their name in for a grand prize for three months' participation. The challenge runs the months of September, October and November.

**October logs are due on November 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**November logs will be due on December 7<sup>th</sup>.**

### Bicycle Education Program

In the month of October, our 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders were able to participate in a bicycle education program during PE with Mr. Chelf. The students practiced balance, controlling a bike, scanning the surroundings, and other skills necessary for safe bicycling.



Month: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Student name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Teacher \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Physical Activity Log

Be active **60 minutes** or more at least **15 days** per month. Write down your activity or color in the boxes for the days you are physically active for at least 60 minutes. **Get Out and Play, Every Day!**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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[www.healthyfuturesak.org](http://www.healthyfuturesak.org)

## ATTENDANCE TRACKER

### *Send back to school December 16*

On September 30<sup>th</sup> we sent home an attendance tracker for you and your student to complete for the first and second quarters. This tracker is to build awareness that going to school every day is very important for student success. After logging the absences during August and September from the ASD report that was attached to the tracker, any absence from school in October, November and December should be marked on the attendance tracker card. Our office staff can help with any questions you may have. Students should return the tracker to school on December 16<sup>th</sup>—they will receive a very special reward for their effort.

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Kiatt Attendance Tracker**

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school – and themselves. Start building this habit early so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Good attendance will help children do well in high school, college and at work.

Date	Absence	Reason
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10+		Your child is at increasing risk for academic difficulties and/or school failure with each absence beyond this point

Return to school on: \_\_\_\_\_

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## HOW SICK IS TOO SICK?

### *Children are too sick to come to school:*

- When they are contagious and/or
- When their symptoms are serious enough to prevent them from focusing on the tasks they need to do at school.

### *Please keep your child home from school and consider seeking medical attention if:*

- Your child has a persistent, phlegmy cough
- Your child has diarrhea
- Your child has a fever above 101° F
- Your child has a stomach ache accompanied by fever, vomiting, diarrhea, pain, or a hard belly
- Your child has a sore throat with fever, headache, stomach ache, or swollen glands
- Your child's eyes are crusty, bright red, and/or are discharging yellow or green fluid
- Your child has a rash that is undiagnosed so could be contagious

Keep your child home until he or she has been symptom free for at least 24 hours or until a doctor indicates that he/she can return to school. If your child has a cold, headache, or stomach ache that is NOT accompanied by fever, vomiting or diarrhea, he/she is welcome to come to school. Children should come to school as long as they can concentrate on their work.



**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**



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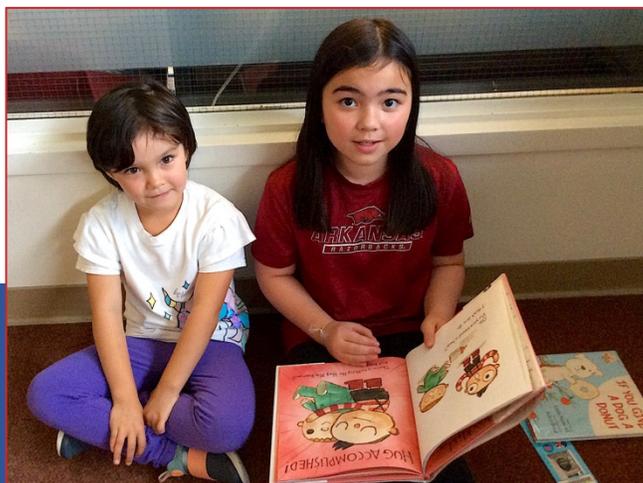
## NOTES FROM MS. STEPHENS

### *Reading Buddies*

Our Reading Buddies program at Klatt pairs sixth graders with kindergartners once a month in the library. This program promotes a higher interest and engagement in reading, improves social and communication skills, and, most importantly, it's just FUN!

Both our younger and older students benefit in so many ways. Our sixth graders gain confidence in helping others with literacy and educational growth. They feel good about having younger students admire them and look up to them. Ms. Stephens says they have fun in a nurturing, tolerant environment that promotes learning and communication with a different age group.

Our kindergartners benefit from hearing stories read aloud and the modeling of reading fluency, phrasing and expression. They enjoy having conversations with an older student about topics that interest them which helps them extend their vocabulary and oral language abilities. During Reading Buddy time in the library our kindergarten students enjoy a fun, positive experience with a 'big kid' who is now a recognizable face in the school community.



# Klatt Turkey Shoot

5:30-7:30pm, Thursday, Nov. 21st

Free Registration at 5:30 P.M.

Games begin at 5:45 in the Gym (Bring your gym shoes)!!



- Pre-Register each partnership (Student Name/Adult Family Member Name)  
Adults can register to shoot with more than one child.
- Students pair with parents (or ADULT family members) to shoot free throws. Each person shoots 10 free throws.
- Groups based on child's age: Kinder & under; 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>grade; 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade; 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade
- Teams that score the most combined baskets within each age group win a turkey. (You may keep the turkey or donate it to charity.) Prizes awarded for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers in each age group.

## Turkeys & Volunteers Needed!!!

Please donate frozen turkeys. These will be given away as prizes or donated to charity. Please bring frozen turkeys to school on the evening of the Turkey Shoot (Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup>). Return the bottom portion of this note or send an email if you will be donating a turkey so we know how many to expect.

Contact Mrs. Jennifer Wilhelm @ [wilhelm\\_jennifer@asdk12.org](mailto:wilhelm_jennifer@asdk12.org) or  
(907) 742-5750

----- CUT OR TEAR -----

TURKEY SHOOT PRE-REGISTRATION (Give to Mrs. Wilhelm by 11/20)

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
GR. \_\_\_\_ TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT (ADULT FAMILY MEMBER) NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I will donate a FROZEN turkey  
\_\_\_\_\_ YES, I will volunteer to count free throws and/or register!!!



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**FOOD DRIVE**

SEND in your non-perishable, unexpired items to

*Klatt Elementary School*

*Fight hunger with us!*

November 4 to December 6

For **FOOD BANK of ALASKA**





# HOLIDAY

## CRAFTING NIGHT

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**6 TO 7:30 PM/KLATT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**JOIN US FOR CREATIVE FUN!**

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**11  
DECEMBER**

**CRAFTING  
DONATIONS  
GLADLY ACCEPTED-  
THE SOONER THE  
BETTER!  
BRING TO OFFICE  
IN NOVEMBER**

**CHILDREN  
SHOULD BE  
ACCOMPANIED  
BY ADULT**



# RECESS AND LUNCH

## *Kindergarten*

Recess 11:45 to 12:10 • Lunch 12:10 to 12:30

## *First Grade*

Recess 11:55 to 12:20 • Lunch 12:20 • 12:40

## *Second Grade*

Recess 12:20 to 12:45 • Lunch 12:45 to 1:05

## *Third Grade*

Recess 12:30 to 12:55 • Lunch 12:55 • 1:15

## *Fourth Grade*

Recess 10:35 to 11:00 • Lunch 11:00 to 11:20

## *Fifth Grade*

Recess 10:50 to 11:15 • Lunch 11:15 to 11:35

## *Sixth Grade*

Recess 11:05 to 11:30 • Lunch 11:30 to 11:50

Interested in knowing what will be served daily?

The breakfast and lunch menus are available at [www.asdk12.org/studentnutrition](http://www.asdk12.org/studentnutrition)

*Elementary School will be participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) program for the 2019-2020 school year. The CEP program is part of the National School Lunch and Breakfast program. All enrolled students at Klatt are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at Klatt at no cost to you or your household.*

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